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Judge John G. Heyburn, II has ruled today in a lawsuit brought by jockeys against the newly created Kentucky Horse Racing Authority (KHRA), which I chair. Certainly, the Authority will abide by Judge Heyburn's ruling on this matter. The judge held that all jockeys may wear the Jockey's Guild patch and that only the five jockeys seeking to wear commercial advertising may do so.

In fairness to all jockeys, the KHRA will apply Judge Heyburn's ruling to all jockeys racing in Kentucky. This interpretation will remain until such time as the Court further rules or the Authority has the opportunity to amend the current regulation through Kentucky's open, participatory process.

The horse's owner, who pays all bills, should be an active participant in the decision-making process on advertising worn by jockeys. In addition, the Authority recognizes that racing associations may also regulate advertising worn by jockeys.

The Authority will continue to work to keep Kentucky on the forefront of thoroughbred horse racing in the country, while maintaining the integrity of the sport. We will in every sense, seek the broadest input from the public and interested parties as we consider and enforce horse racing regulations in the Commonwealth.